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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003–04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 87

Introduced by Assembly Member Bogh

January 7, 2003

An act to add Section 4352.5 to the Labor Code, relating to workers' compensation, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 87, as amended, Bogh. Workers' compensation: disaster service workers: funding.

Existing law provides that a disaster service worker duly registered by a disaster council while performing services under the general direction of the disaster council or a person impressed into performing service as a disaster service worker is entitled to all the same workers' compensation benefits as any other injured employee. Existing law provides that liability for the payment or furnishing of this compensation is dependent upon and limited to the availability of money specifically appropriated for that purpose.

This bill would establish the Workers' Compensation for Disaster Service Workers Fund in the State Treasury, *administered by the State Compensation Insurance Fund* and consisting of money appropriated in the annual Budget Act. This bill would provide for the continuous appropriation of moneys deposited in the fund ~~to the Controller~~ for the purpose of furnishing workers' compensation to disaster service workers and their dependents.

Vote: ²/₃. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 4352.5 is added to the Labor Code, to
2 read:
3 4352.5. The Workers' Compensation for Disaster Service
4 Workers Fund is hereby created in the State Treasury. The fund
5 shall be administered by the ~~Controller~~ *State Compensation*
6 *Insurance Fund*. The fund shall consist of money appropriated in
7 the annual Budget Act for the purposes of this chapter.
8 Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, all
9 moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated ~~to the~~
10 ~~Controller~~, without regard to fiscal years, for the purposes of
11 furnishing workers' compensation to disaster service workers and
12 their dependents in accordance with this chapter.

